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This is a request for filing a ☒ continuation or ☐ divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d) of prior application **09/341,119** filed on **November 18, 1999**, for **RAPID AND SIMPLE PROCESS FOR ISOLATION OF CIRCULAR NUCLEIC ACIDS**

1. ☒ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on September 17, 2002 under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior application.
2. ☐ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
3. ☐ Cancel claim(s)_____ for purposes of lessening filing fees.
4. ☒ **This application is filed under Rule 53(f) and, therefore, the Filing Fee is not enclosed and any previous general authorization to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 to Deposit Account No. 06-1358 is revoked.**
5. ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4).
 - a. ☐ **DELETE** the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:

 - b. ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
6. ☐ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (USPTO/SB/81) is enclosed.
7. ☐ Enclosed is a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and USPTO 1449 less the cited references which was filed in the prior nonprovisional application which is relied on for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. 120 and was not considered by the Examiner.

8. ☐ Small entity status:
- a. ☐ A small entity statement is enclosed.
- b. ☐ A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
- c. ☐ Is no longer claimed.

9. ☒ Petition to extend the life of the above prior nonprovisional application to at least the date hereof

NOTE: (One box) ☒ is being filed concurrently herewith
(must be) ☐ was previously filed
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If a Petition for Extension of Time is necessary and the Petition and/or the check is not enclosed, applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response and charge any fees necessary under 37 CFR 1.17 (a)(1)-(5) to Deposit Account No. 06-1358.

10. ☒ A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed for Petition for Extension of Time.
11. ☐ Also enclosed :

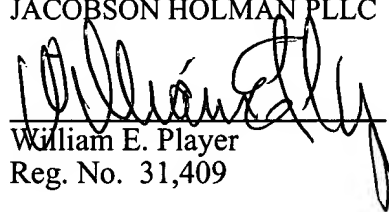
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